

BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



BERNARD C. "JACK" YOUNG Mayor MICHAEL S. HARRISON Police Commissioner

March 2, 2020

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Room 400, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: City Council Bill #20-0194R

Informational Hearing - Baltimore's Strategic Response to the Wuhan Coronavirus

The Baltimore Police Department has reviewed City Council Bill #20-0194R which has been introduced for the purpose of inviting representatives from Baltimore City Health Department, the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, the Baltimore Police Department, the Baltimore City Fire Department, and the Baltimore City Department of Finance to brief the City Council on Baltimore's strategic response to the Wuhan coronavirus.

Thank you for allowing the Baltimore Police Department to comment on City Council Bill #20-0194R. We have been working with the agencies named in the resolution and look forward to the opportunity to brief the City Council on our coordinated effort to address a public health catastrophe such as the new strain of coronavirus also referred to as 2019-nCoV.

BPD has no objection to City Council Resolution #20-0194R

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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